



Dear Santa,

We are from Waveland and our home was at:

Jaqueta [redacted]

We are now living at:

Address: *Merry Village* [redacted]

City: *Joplin*

State: *MO.*

Zipcode: *64804*

Phone No. [redacted]

Our family consists of:

Jaqueta [redacted]

- I live alone

Our Katrina experience was:

I left my home - [redacted] Mallard Dr. in Waveland August 28 in the afternoon, reached Pine Bluff Ark. that night. Checked in a motel, and spent the rest of the night watching Katrina on T.V. I knew that my home was destroyed. Later drove to Joplin Mo. with my daughter. - over -

Write something special that you would like Santa to bring you or your family:

Please I need from this shack, of Katrina. God has been good to me, It will be a wonderful Christmas just to be alive, Thank you Santa. and the Mayors!

Please use back or another sheet of paper, if you want to write more. We want to hear your story.

Return by November 30th to:

Mayor's Office, City of Waveland, P. O. Box 539, Waveland, MS 39576

My Journey To Joplin Mo.

This has been an interesting experience in my life.
I am ok. shocked maybe, but ok.

I came here with the clothes on my back, thinking
to return home in a couple of days -
For the first time in my life I asked the Red
Cross for help. She took me in her office and talked
with me for some time (we had 140 persons here from the storm)
She took me under her wing. She gave me help & friendship.
I had a large collection of the destruction in Waveland in pictures.

The T.V. stations found me somehow, & I was interviewed two
times in my daughter's home (where I was living) two times at the
Red Cross Office. On live. T.V. one evening with the Red
Cross, Salvation Army, & United Way. I was asked what
the Red Cross had done for me? I answered; They have
helped me, Mental, Physical, Financial And that means all
the charities. I seemed to be the only one that would
speak for all of us. I was my pay back for
the friendship & help I received.

I was lively that they put me in an apt. & furnished
it. I have been so lucky. I hear that some of
my friends on Madeline hasn't fared so well.
I was in Waveland a week ago. It still looks like a
war zone. I only got my mail box & my deer that
I displayed in yard -

The Car. of ing. have permission to clear my lot. & Irma
is checking my house & car (with an ice box on top of it)
Autoburn was finally paid (not enough to replace my home)
all state paid nothing.

When I write my story would you like to read
it? Thank you so much for caring enough
to write us. Merry Xmas & God bless your family.

I don't know how many from Waveland was here.
I met 2 couples only from home.